



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

Patent  
033865-083

In re Patent Application of

Wilfried Nisch et al.

Application No.: 10/045,380

Filing Date: October 26, 2001

Title: METHOD FOR MAKING CONTACT TO CELLS PRESENT IN A LIQUID ENVIRONMENT ABOVE A SUBSTRATE

Group Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: ALEXANDER STEPHAN NOGUERO

Confirmation No.: 2366

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$65.00 (2814) ☐ \$130.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.

☒ Also enclosed is/are Extension of Time

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☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$395.00 (2801) ☐ \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.

☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
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for which continued examination is requested.

☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	11	MINUS 20 =	0	x \$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 3 =	1	x \$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 200.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$360.00 (1203)					
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$ 200.00</b>

- ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.
- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.
- ☒ Charge \$ 200.00 to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.


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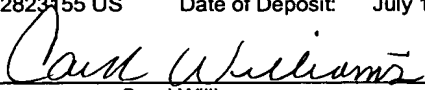
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For: METHOD FOR MAKING CONTACT	)	NOGUEROLA
TO CELLS PRESENT IN A LIQUID	)	
ENVIRONMENT ABOVE A	)	Confirmation No.: 2366
SUBSTRATE	)	

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 5.